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Mr. Alex Cordero
Florida Department of Natural Resources
Office of Marine Programs and Planning
Marjory Stoneman Douglas Building
3900 Commonwealth Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Re: Chevron Chemical Company Site - FLD004064242
Orlando, Orange County, Florida
Draft Workplan

Dear Mr. Cordero:

The United State Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has documented the release or threatened release of hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants at the Chevron Chemical Company Site. The Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA), as amended by the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA), clarifies and defines the respective roles of EPA and Federal, State, and Tribal Natural Resource Trustees. Specifically, CERCLA requires EPA to notify the appropriate Trustees of potential natural resource damages resulting from a release or threatened release of hazardous substance, pollutants, or contaminants and to coordinate with the trustees in assessments, investigation, planning and negotiations in reference to the release.

The Chevron Chemical Company site has been under investigation by EPA pursuant to the authority and requirements of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA). EPA conducted a Site Inspection at the facility in June of 1989. Due to the high levels of pesticides and other organic compounds detected in the surface and subsurface soils, as well as the groundwater, the site was referred for emergency removal action. Removal of contaminated soil has been completed; however, groundwater contamination has not been fully addressed.

In addition, EPA has selected this site as a pilot in the Superfund Accelerated Cleanup Model (SACM) - Early Enforcement/Voluntary Cleanup Program. As a pilot site in the SACM Program, an RI/FS will be completed for the site under a 106 Administrative Order by Consent, and a Record of Decision will be developed to document the Agency's decision of the appropriate remedial action. A Hazard Ranking System Documentation Package will be developed concurrently with the RI/FS so that the site can be proposed for the National Priorities List, if necessary.

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Pursuant to Sections 104 (b) (2) and 122 (j) of CERCLA, EPA hereby notifies the Florida Department of Natural Resources of potential damages to natural resources that may be under your jurisdiction resulting from a release under investigation at the Chevron Chemical Company Site. We also seek to coordinate the investigation of the site and the negotiating with potentially responsible parties to voluntarily conduct the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study.

EPA has negotiated an agreement with Chevron to begin the RI/FS. The enclosed draft workplan will be amended as a result of your peer review comments. As an added reference, I have enclosed a copy of the Removal Action Report prepared by Brown and Caldwell for Chevron. Please review the workplan and submit your comments to me by February 12, 1993.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (404) 347-5065.

Sincerely,



Dorothy L. Rayfield, Acting Chief
South Unit, Site Assessment Section

Enclosure